

We Dedicate Our Book to



MR. JOSEPH SHUSTER

Mr. Shuster. The very name alone is enough to bring back a flood of memories among Girard graduates.

In seventh and eighth grade, as senior housemaster in Merchant Hall, he taught us many things - things that are important like responsibility and the idea that you should stand up for what you believe in. Moreover he never failed to set a good example.

Now, for the first time having Mr. Shuster as senior mathematics teacher, we have found out what mathematics is really all about.

We will always remember Mr. Joseph Shuster. His influence and help has been a significant factor in guiding our lives.

In Appreciation



Mr. Rocco Serluco



Mr. Robert Mullins



Mr. Joseph Devlin

Letter From Our President



Dear Class of 1976:

I felt honored in being asked by our Board to return from retirement to serve as the chief executive officer of the College this year. Hence, it was an unexpected pleasure for me to have been associated with you in this, your last year as students at Girard College. It was only a few short years ago that the privilege was mine to have guided the admission of each and every one of you into the College. The fact that my return this year was unexpected makes me cherish this opportunity to extend hearty congratulations to you on the successful completion of your Girard careers.

My year's stewardship as chief administrative officer is not easy to measure. I believe we have made modest gains in improving the tone of student-staff relationships. In this you have had a hand and I am grateful for the good you helped accomplish. As when I began, I am more than ever convinced that the strength and progress of our school rests with the individual and collective strength of students and staff alike.

In this historic year which marks not only America's bicentennial as a nation, but also the two hundreth anniversary of Stephen Girard's arrival and settlement in Philadelphia, we can look back with satisfaction upon the College's contribution to the welfare of our city. The time is now at hand for you to pass over the same threshold from campus life to community living which thousands before you have crossed. This is a milestone in your careers of which you should be justifiably proud. You take the blessing of all who have had a hand in your training, as well as the wish that you will strive earnestly to pattern yourselves after those who have gone before you in enhancing the very name of Girard through responsible citizenship and worthy achievement.

Stephen Girard set goals of the highest order for his school. No school was ever blessed with a richer philosophy or endowed with more noble objectives to guide it through its course of development and service to the community. You have become beneficiaries of that philosophy and those objectives through exposure to a type of training designed to realize them. You go forth to test the efficacy of that training which has held so many before you in good stead. I urge you to emulate them in enriching the communities in which you live through endeavors steeped in the ideals which constitute part of the legacy left to you by our Founder.

May God bless you and endow you with the rich rewards that stem from a life of useful living.

Sincerely yours, Emil Zarella Acting Headmaster

Administration



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administration



Mr. Emil Zarella '24 Acting President



Dr. Andrew Weidener Director, Secondary Education



Mr. Phillip Stetson



Mr. Richard Wooten



Mr. Reid Watson



Mr. Bernard Konopka

administration



Mr. Joseph Wileman



Mr. John Mackay Director, Elementary Education



Mrs. Elizabeth Goodenow

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Mr. Seriuco
Mrs. Halpern
Dr. Zeil Jake's artwork
Mr. Konopka
Mr. Morrison 500 Shares of General Foods Preferred Stock
Dr. Weidener Record breaking Fire Drill
Mr. Sungenis Overdrive
Beato's Pizza A Branch Office in Student Center
Mr. Wileman
Mr. Zarella
Dr. Lander
Mr. Vavolo
Girard Security
Mr. Long
Mr. Wooten A one month class trip
Mr. Sypherd
The Juniors
Mr. Kemler Evel Knievel
Mr. Weinstein ,
Mr. Shuster
Mr. Cash An Interested Health Class
Mr. Powers
The D & S The Fort Knox Vault
Mr. Watson
Mr. Schneck
Mr. Lenzi

Faculty



science department



Mr. Robert Farber Chairman, Science Department



Mr. Henry Berkowitz

The Science Department has course offerings at every grade level. All of the courses are laboratory oriented, and students have the opportunity to pursue personal interests in the sciences. There is ample laboratory and project work space, as well as tools, supplies, and equipment available to allow students to do in-depth studies in many areas. A complete darkroom is open to all students at regularly scheduled times after school.

The department is continuously updating curriculum as well as laboratory equipment in order to provide for the wide range of student needs and interests, both vocational and avocational. The Junior High science curriculum is designed to provide every student with a broad foundation in the sciences. The High School curriculum is more specialized with most of the courses as electives.



Mr. Robert Schneck

mathematics department



Mr. Joseph Shuster Chairman, Mathematics Department



Mr. Mark Clatterbaugh

The goals of the Math Department from grade 7 to grade 12 are broadly based, from dealing with, computational skills used in every day life, to analytic topics which lead to different levels of sophistication.

In the 7th and 8th grade, the main emphasis is on computational skills with some Pre-Algebra work leading to the study of variables. In the 9th and 10th grade, the focus is on Algebra. At the 11th grade level, two tracts of Geometry are presented. One is academically oriented which will progress into Trigonometry and Pre-Calculus in the 12th grade. The other is informal Geometry which places emphasis on vocational math, and its study is continued into the 12th grade.

In keeping with the national trend, the metric system is being introduced at all levels, with the main emphasis on measurement and a good "feel" for the system. For those students who require help, in addition to remedial help after school, there is available a remedial math instructor throughout the school day.



Mr. Geoffery Schulz



Mr. Frank Flannagan

english department



Mr. Joseph Devlin



Mr. William Stein



Miss Deborah Wade



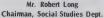
Mr. Leonard Lenzi



Mrs. Evelyn Halpern

social studies department







Miss Jo Anne Wallen

It is commonly said that in our age the part of our culture which manipulates material things lags behind that which treats relations between human beings.

This cultural lag is to some degree the consequence of a lack of knowledge in the area of social relations, a field of research that is relatively new and is filled with complexities difficult to analyze, particularly through use of scientific methods. However, the cultural lag is also partially the result of a failure to spread and to apply the knowledge that already exists. To make a contribution to the dissemination of this important body of facts and theory, the curriculum of Girard College includes the offerings of the Social Studies Department.

To face life with less than such minimal exposure to formal learning of subject matter so vital to personal and social progress would be an unthinkable handicap of ignorance. Our students have opportunities to displace ignorance of their social environment with basic education in the Social Studies.

Every boy is required to study in the seventh grade a course in World Geography; in the eighth and eleventh grades, a historical survey of the cultural development of the United States; in the ninth grade, an examination of the shaping of many world-cultures, ancient, medieval, and modern; and in the twelth, a systematic study of the principles and structure of the American Government in comparison with others. There is also an elective course in Psychology.



Mr. Edward Vavalo

languages



Mr. Eugene McLaughlin

The first and most important step in understanding other peoples, their way of thinking, as well as their way of acting lies in understanding their language and language habits.

The language department has been using the relatively new method of language instruction commonly referred to as an audiolingual method, in order to facilitate good speaking and listening skills.

The first year program stresses pronounciation and speech patterns. Increased emphasis upon free conversation, reading and culture become areas of increased interest in the second year program. The third year elective program, which will start in September of 1976, will provide ample opportunity for the kinds of listening, speaking, reading and writing needed to develop spontaneity, fluency and on the spot comprehension.

art department



Zeil, (Dr.) William

physical education



Mr. Brian Seeber Director, Physical Education Department



Mr. Michael Cash

The Department of Physical Education at Girard College offers a varied curriculum for all its students. Over the period of the school year, each student receives instruction under three basic catagories: gymnastics, swimming, and team sport activities. Under gymnastics he learns some tumbling exercises and works on both the parallel bars and the side horse. In swimming we teach all the various levels up to and including Senior Lifesaving. The team sport activities taught are many in number and include soccer, basketball, wrestling, baseball and floor hockey. The Physical Education Department also has the responsibility of teaching both Seventh Grade Health and Senior Health.

The athletic program on the interscholastic level has included for this school year eight Varsity sports, four Junior Varsity sports and six Junior High sports.

As a member of the Penn-Jersey Athletic Conference, Girard had the pleasure of hosting the ten school 1976 Penn-Jersey Wrestling Tournament. We also hosted our annual twelve school Girard Invitational Wrestling Tournament. In the Spring, our staff finished the school year by hosting the annual five school Girard College Invitational Doubles Tennis Tournament and giving the Varsity Lettermen's dinner in early June.



Mr. Michael Callahan



Mr. David McKay



Mr. J. Caldwell Mrs. J. Faulk Mrs. J. Holman Mrs. P. Abrams

The Library Resource Center, a somewhat broader concept of an information storehouse than "library", stands at the east side of the famous Girard circle. As an academic concept, it stands for those hours of Senior research for reports on health services, Charles Dickens, the phenomenon of sleep, social issues, and goodness knows what else that may have been assigned.

In addition to its function as a resource for the impetuous Senior Class, the LRC provides the rest of the Girard community with the best and latest books, tapes, films and other materials.

The LRC is considered one of the most comprehensive centers in the area, considering the scope of its service, and the value of its holdings. Contained in the Library Resource Center's marbled interior are special collections relating to Stephen Girard's life and times, College memorabilia, microfilmed papers of Girard's personal correspondence, and rare print and non-print materials associated with Philadelphia's people and places.

The LRC, evolving from its delicate origin as a one-room library in the forefront of Founder's Hall, can still be considered the focal point for academic support and information search on the Girard campus.



Mrs. J. Faulk



Mr. J. C. Caldwell Director of LRC

Hail Girard!

(Arranged for Male Voices by Burton T. Scales.)



FAREWELL SONG





Mechanical School



Print Shop



The Mechanical School offers the boy the opportunity to become acquainted with a specific vocation. After prevocational courses have been taken in the Junior High, the boy becomes somewhat familiar with the various shops. He is then able to choose a specific area. He does this in the 10th grade and has three years to make himself proficient in that trade. Among his choices are Wood, Print, Auto, and Machine Shops, as well as Drafting and Business. The experience the boy gets in the Mechanical School affords him many opportunities after graduation.



Mr. Rocco P. Serluco



C. Ruth, A. Sivak

Drafting



R. Bohner Mr. Mullins A. Tobia



Mr. Robert Mullins



A. Tobia

Wood Shop



Ronald Andrews

Mr. Moore

Robert Andrews



Mr. William Moore Chairman, Mechanical Instruction Department



Robert Andrews

Machine Shop



Mr. DiGiovanni

J. Hansen

J. Bradley



Mr. Guido DiGiovanni



. Bradley

Auto Shop



Mr. Sypherd, S. Swift, H. Dudley, J. Zelazny



Mr. James Sypherd



J. Zelazny

Business Education



R. Dollar R. Helder Mr. Sungenis J. McKenna

The primary objectives of the Business Course of Girard College is to provide a broad vocational education. The Business Program covers the requirements for entrance into business offices in the capacity of clerk, accountant, general office assistant, or typist. To this immediate vocational objective is added the more remote objective of preliminary preparation for a more advanced type of office work leading to the position of head clerk, office manager or accountant. Thus the Business Course is so organized as to prepare the boy to hold an office position, and also to train him in such a way that he may win promotion.



Mr. Joseph Sungenis Chairman, Business Education Department



R. Helder.

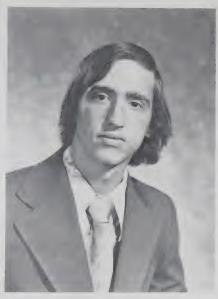
Class Poll

Friendliest Helder
Biggest Eater Bohner
Class RadicalDollar
Class Clown
Best Dresser
Best Athlete Andrews, Ror
Favorite Class Library
First to Marry
Smallest
Typical Harvey Markley
Richest Dollar
Quietest
Never to Be Forgotten
First to Bald
Best Looking Markle
Favorite Meal All of them
Most Studious
Most Boisterous
Foggiest Andrews, Rol
Most Ambitious
Coolest Swift
Class Ham Bohne
Class PoliticianDolla
Best Driver Ruth, Andrews, Rob
Most Likely to Succeed
Thinnest Fulton

Seniors









Ski Club, Wood Shop, Student Center, Varsity Club, National Honor Society, Who's Who, Baseball 3, Soccer 3, Basketball 1.

Tired of lying in the sunshine Staying home to watch the rain You are young and life is long And there is time to kill today And then one day you find ten Years have gone behind you.

Pink Floyd







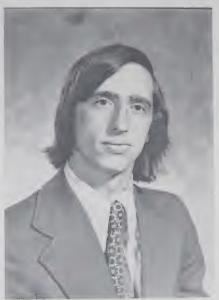
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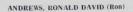












Soccer 3, Baseball 4, Student Center, Student Council, Wood Shop, Ski Club, Varsity Club.

Best of luck to my classmates.









General D. Andrews















National Honor Society, Who's Who, Essay Award 9, 10, Outstanding Teenagers of America, Chemistry Award 11, Bosch & Lomb Science Award, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Student Work Program, Band, Girard News 11, (Editor) 12, Photography Club, Ski Club, Wrestling 3.









Russell E. Bohner













Machine Shop, Machine Shop Award, Ski Club, Photography Club, Bicycle Club, Corinthian Staff, Track 3, National Honor Society.

Last night I had a dream

You were in it, I was in it with you

Everyone that I know

And Everyone that you know was in my dream

I saw a vampire

1 saw a ghost

Everyone scared me but you scared me the most

In the dream I had last night

In the dream I had last night

In my dream

Randy Neuman







John A. Bradley













DOLLAR, ROBERT JAMES (Jim)

Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12, Student Body President 12, Essay Award 10, 11, Who's Who, National Honor Society, Karate, Photography Club, Ski Club, Student Center Manager, Girard News Editor 11, Dramatic Club, Corinthian Staff, Tennis 3 - MVP & Captain 11. Mensa









Plat & Sella













Ski Club 10, 11, 12, Bike Club '72, Baseball, Swimming '72, '73, '74, '75, Dramatic Club, Corinthian Staff, Student Work Program.

To sail on a dream on a crystal clear ocean
To ride on the crest of the wild raging storm
To work in the scruice of life and the living
In search of the answers to questions unknown
To be part of the movement and part of the growing
Part of beginning to understand

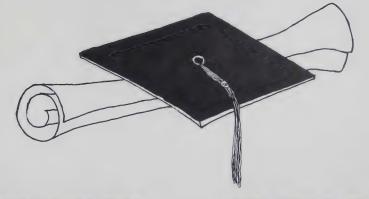
J. Denver







Harry R. Dudley

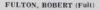












Union League Good Citizenship Award, Photography, Club, Glee Club, Chemistry Award 11, Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12, Corinthian Co-Editor, Print Shop, Ski Club, Outstanding Teenagers of America Award, Student Center, President National Honor Society, Dramatic Club, Girard News Staff, Cross Country 3, Track 5, Basketball 1, Philadelphia Bulletin Scholar-Athlete, Who's Who Among American High School Students.

On his dreadful journey, after the shaman has wandered through dark forests and over great ranges of mountains,... he reaches an opening in the ground. The most difficult stage of the adventure now begins. The depths of the underworld open before him.

Uno Harva, quoted by Joseph Cambell in The Hero with a Thousand Faces.







Pohet fultae













Soccer, Tennis, Philadelphia Union League Award, Machine Shop, Varsity Club.

Take it . . . or leave it!









John Hansen













HELDER, RICHARD IRVING (Rich)

National Honor Society, Varsity Club, Basketball 3, Baseball 3, Cross Country 2, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Student Council 2.

Here it comes another lonely day, Playing the game, I'll sail away, On a voyage of no return to see, If eternal life is meant to be, And if I find the key, to eternal dream.

E.L.O.







Richard S. Helder, gr.

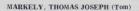












Cross Country 3-MVP 10, Captain 11, Most Dedicated 12, Basketball 2, Baseball 2, Print Shop, Corinthian Staff, Girard News, Varsity Club, Drama Club, Student Center, Who's Who.









Thomas J. Markleys









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MCKENNA, JEFFREY THOMAS

Vice-President Concert Band, Tennis 10, 11, 12, Vice-President-Senior Class, Who's Who Among High School Students, National Honor Society, 10th Grade Essay Award, Dramatic Club, Business, Secretary-Student Council, Girard News.

I packed up my pony, I loaded my sony,
No one could see me for dust
I'm leaving my friends there
It's not that I don't care
I just need to chip off the old rust
I really belong here but something is wrong dear
I'm saying goodbye, and it's making me cry
That I have to go

Peter Frampton







Jeffrey I. Mc Kenna











RUTH, CHRISTOPHER (Chris)

Print Shop, Corinthian Co-Editor, Girard News, Student Council, Ski Club, Soccer 1, Drama Club.

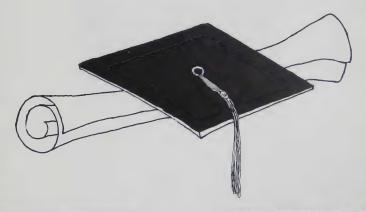
If I leave here tomorrow,
Would you still remember me?
'Cause I must be travelling on now,
I'm free as a bird now,
And this bird you'll never change.
Lynyrd Skynyrd







chis Purl











RUTH, CHRISTOPHER (Chris)

Print Shop, Corinthian Co-Editor, Girard News, Student Council, Ski Club, Soccer 1, Drama Club.

If I leave here tomorrow,
Would you still remember me?
'Cause I must be travelling on now,
I'm free as a bird now,
And this bird you'll never change.
Lynyrd Skynyrd









Chris Purl















Baseball 2, Cross Country Manager 1, Wrestling Manager 3, Drama Club 11, 12, Varsity Club, Corinthian Staff, Girard News, Band 3rd Assistant Band Master 11, Print Shop, Union League of Philadelphia Good Citizenship Award, National Honor Socoety, Who's Who.

By the rude bridge that arched the flood, Their flag to April's breeze unfurled, Here once the embattled farmers stood, And fired the shot heard round the world.









Andrew Sinah













Baseball 11, 12, Soccer 12, Wrestling 12, Ski Club, Corinthian Staff, Auto Shop, Drama Club, Philadelphia Citizenship Award Union League, 2nd Team All Penn-Jersey Conference 11, 12, Baseball, Steel and Garnet Award.

Do not involve yourself with the past; for the past determines the present, and the present initiates the future.









Stephen Swift













TOBIA, ADALBERTO A. (Dino)

Soccer 2, Wrestling 3, Captain 11, 12, Track 1, Corinthian Staff, Varsity Club, Ski Club, National Honor Society, Secretary & Treasurer, Who's Who, Outstanding Teenagers of America Award, Union League of Philadelphia Good Citizenship Award, Student Council Treasurer 12, Drafting, Drafting Award, French Award.

And on a Summers day When thoughts are drifting far away And life is good and real to see My world is saved and I am Free But in the night Still I must be dreaming





E.L.O.



Adalbuto Hobia













Who's Who, Outstanding Teenagers of America Award, Chemistry Award, Union League of Philadelphia Good Citizenship Award, Math Award 9, Evening Bulletin Award, National Honor Society, Band, Ski Club, Photography Club, Dramatic Club, Girard News, Corinthian Staff, Tennis 3, Wrestling 2.

Oh I'm on my way I know I am, somewhere not so far from here All I know is all I feel right now, I feel the power growing in my hair

Oh life is like a maze of doors and they all open from the side you're on

Just keep on pushing hard boy, try as you may You're going to wind up where you started from You're going to wind up where you started from

From Sitting by Cat Stevens









John H. Zelazny







Campus Quotes

I was at Goodenow's What was for breakfast? Let's go, it's 9:30 Ohhkay, Oouuut! Set the alarm for 2:00 Help us with these chairs Let's go to the tree Oh no! Not KISS again Let's hear some Led Let's order out Well, back in '48 Who's our waiter? We have to break even soon Right here Let's get the money together What money? Too many What's the act? There's only X days left Fun and Games

activities



Student Council



1st Row: A. Tobia, J. McKenna, R. Dollar, R. Helder, R. Fulton, 2nd Row: D. Belsito, R. Beyerle, D. Meranda, J. Glusco 3rd Row: G. Reilly, B. Pfromm, W. Tillinghast, 4th Row: J. Tillinghast, W. McNeill, G. Cuccini

Student Councils generally reflect the interest and the enthusiasm of the student body, and this year's council was no exception. The dedication of the council was reflected in the accomplishments of the food and building committees.

While some of the plans of the council never got off the ground, such as establishing chess and golf clubs, others proved quite successful. The Dance Committee, for example, ran several successful affairs and the council was able to send home one boy a month who could not have otherwise gone home. The council continually worked on improving communications within the school, and in doing so took its first steps forward towards tackling some long term problems.



Mr. R. Wooten



Jim Dollar

Girard News



1st Row left to right: Mr. Lenzi, C. Ruth, J. McKenna, J. Annand, J. Glusco 2nd Row: R. Bohner, R. Fulton, R. Helder, A. Sivak, T. Markley

One of the objectives of the Girard News was to involve a significant cross-section of the student body in the newspaper, and not just the senior class. This was achieved. While part of the paper was set aside for serious news, other sections contained news of interest, informational articles and the never-failing new faculty. The staff tried to make the paper interesting and enjoyable by getting its readers involved in the school and by generating school spirit. A major obstacle in writing the paper was trying to find news that wasn't already known.

Each of the three different advisors this year offered ideas and guidance, not to mention their time and proof reading skills. It was fortunate to have the cooperation of the print shop because it enabled even more students to become involved in their high school publication and vocational training.



Mr. Lenzi



R. Bohner

Corinthian



This year's Coruntian got off to a good start. A format for the book was determined and plans for each page were drawn up early in the year. Articles and pictures were assigned. The only things needed were for these assignments to be handed in.

But, as usual, things began to slow down. People began to think that there was plenty of time left, and deadlines were pushed back. Slowly work began to pile up. Midway through the year we were behind schedule.

We realized that if we didn't start to work soon, no Corinthian would come out. Chris Ruth and Robert Fulton, co-editors, and Mr. Devlin, the advisor, started to pressure people for their assignments. Finally, when it seemed as if there would be no yearbook, work started to come in. The last three weeks before the final deadline were very busy with most of the work being done at this time.

Many thanks go to Mr. Rocco Serluco and Mr. Joseph Devlin for their work throughout the year.



Mr. Joseph Devlin



Mr. R. Serluco

Concert Band



In this, our nation's 200th year, the Girard Band marks its 107th year of music making. The character and composition of the band have changed over these many years. It started basically as a small brass band. It has been a marching band and a military drill band. While the band is rather small this year, it has still been able to perform and perform well. Our first concert of the 1976 season, the Christmas Concert, had the band performing more music than it had in the past, and by all reports, performing it well. Mr. Zarella, our president, called it a most "dignified" concert.

The remainder of our season included two more concerts; the Spring Concert on April 30 and the Founder's Day Concert on May 22. This year the band, in conjunction with the Junior School Music Department, taped a fifteen minute television segment on KYW for recruiting purposes.

There is certainly much room for growth within the band, both physically and musically, and it is our hope that the next few years will see an increase in both areas. In terms of musical growth, however, this year would have to be marked a success. While the size has not increased greatly, we must constantly keep before us the idea that the true measure of an organization's worth is quality and not quantity. With the calibre of the members of this year's band we can not help but produce a quality product.



Mr. P. Palan Music Dept. Chairman



J. Zelazny

Student Center



L. Hook, R. Fulton, R. Dollar, T. Markley, Rob Andrews, A. Tobia

Over the past year the Student Center has had its ups and downs. During the Fall Semester, we were able to acquire pinhall machines, an air hockey table and other types of amusements. Unfortunately, due to the limited income this brought the vendor, he was forced to place them elsewhere. The Student Center also acquired a stereo system this past Autumn. A Scott 70 Watt receiver and two Altee Valencia Speakers were installed and have been utilized for the entertainment of our patrons. The system has also been put to good use at the Girard dances with the Ellis School. At the opening of school the three pool tables in the Student Center were refurbished. These tables are in constant use and all the pool players are to be congratulated on the care they have taken with the equipment.

Although this year was in some respects a disappointment to the Staff in that some of their plans for the Student Center did not work out, the year ended on a positive note. Thanks to the Alumni, the center was able to purchase the materials necessary for some major alterations to the up-stairs area. With the help and interest of Mr. Moore, members of the Senior class constructed a counter and storage area in the Student Center. Next year this facility will increase the goods and services provided by the center.



Mr. R. Wooten



Jim Dollar

National Honor Society



1st Row left to right: D. Goldstein, R. Preston, D. Meranda, A. Tobia
2nd Row: Dr. Zeil, H. Lance, R. Bohner, J. McKenna, R. Helder, T. Hicks, C. Zamgle
3rd Row: W. Ulrich, R. Dollar, R. Fulton, C. Oestreich, R. Andrews, J. Bradley, J. Zelazny, L. Hook, T. Killeen



Dr. W. Zeil



Robert Fulton

SKI CLUB



1st Row: A. Tobia, T. Hicks, C. Ruth 2nd Row: J. Zelazny, Ron Andrews, C. Insinger, G. Zaengle, E. Newman R. Helder, Mr. Sypherd 3rd Row: S. Swift, R. Dollar, H. Dudley, Rob Andrews, D. Meranda, J. Hansen, J. Bradley, R. Fulton

Girard's Ski Club is a relatively new activity here at the College. From its inception in 1973 there have been trips to ski areas in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, and one trip to Vermont.

This year, due to budget restrictions, the club's activities were only in the up-state Pennsylvania area, Ski Mountain in Schwencksville was the club's training ground. With much help from veteran Mr. Sypherd, the club was able to keep themselves from major accidents and learn new tricks as well. Another adventure this year was a trip to Elk Mountain. There the club had a fine day of skiing, except for the blinding snow and the power failure that stranded skiers for hours.

Our thanks to Mr. Farber for his help and, of course, to Mr. Sypherd, our moderator,





Dramatic Club



1st Row: J. Hansen H. Dudley C. Ruth J. McKenna R. Fulton
2nd Row: Mr. Weinstein R. Bohner S. Swift J. Bradley R. Helder R. Dollar J. Zelazny A. Sivak T. Markley

The Senior Drama Club broke the tradition this year and pushed their gala production up from the end of May to the end of April. The rationale behind this move was to give the seniors all of May to finish class work and other items of business they had to complete.

Production of "Room Service" began in mid-March with Ron Andrews and John Bradley designing and building the set, Ron's definess at woodworking and John's experience from building sets at the University of Delaware proved invaluable. Artistic assistance was provided by Al Tobia. The set was completed in a mere two weeks.

Major roles, played by Jim Dollar, Jeff McKenna, Russ Bohner, Bob Fulton and Rich Helder were learned in three weeks. The supporting actors, John Zelazny, Harry Dudley, Chris Ruth, Andrew Sivak, Steve Swift, Tom Markley and John Hansen, also put in admirable performances. The play was produced by Bordeaux housemaster, Mark Weinstein, with the able assistance of his wife, Linda.

PROGRAM OF ROOM SERVICE



Class Play













Class Trip





The Class of 1976 went on its class trip to Boston after giving a fine production of the play, "Room Service," the night before. The train trip to Boston was uneventful; the hotel facilities and the entertainment made the trip worthwhile.

When the class arrived in Boston it proceeded to familiarize itself that afternoon with the city. The following day the class took the first of two tours. This was a walking tour following Boston's own Freedom Trail. The bus tour on the second day went to Lexington and Concord, followed Paul Revere's famous route, and passed many Revolutionary War sites. After the tours the class went to various places for entertainment and then prepared for the trip back to Philadelphia and to Girard. Arriving at 30th Street Station, they were greeted by Al and the "Hum" bus which brought them home.

The Class of 1976 would like to thank Mr. Wooten and Mr. Seeber for coming and giving their fine supervision during the trip.

















Sports



cross country



Bottom to top: T. Markley, B. Ruth, B. Coffee, W. Tillinghast, J. Jordan, K. Small, Mr. R. Powers (coach), S. Gathers G. Crafton, R. Fulton, R. Helder, A. Sivak (manager)

The Cross Country Team has vastly improved over last year's. The team's record last year was 2-11, compared to this year's record of 9-7. This is indeed a significant improvement. Coach Powers had the necessary command to produce a winning team this year, and the team did just that.

Under Mr. Powers the practices were long and hard on the players. Although many players got disgusted at times, the practices paid off by bringing a winning season. The team consisted of three seniors, two sophomores and one freshman, with the rest of the team composed of seventh and eighth graders. These Junior High teammates cared about the team and were indeed an asset to the team. After losing two meets the Cross Country Team came back to win their next two meets. The team, at one point of the season, had won five in a row.

Coach Powers will certainly miss the three seniors, Tom Markley, Rich Helder and Bob Fulton, next year because these three had a great deal of experience. But Mr. Powers expects a very good team back next year and also expects to produce a winning team.

















soccer



1st Row left to right: B. Dalantinow, H. Lance, C. Walton, C. Insinger, R. Beyerle, C. Qestreich, T. Killeen. 2nd Row: G. Saunders, G. Zaengle, R. Preston, T. Jones, C. Ruth (manager), G. Glusco (manager) 3rd Row: A. Tobia, Rob Andrews, S. Switt, G. Aaron, Ron Andrews, Mr. C. Fallon (coach)

Girard's 1975 Soccer Team began the season with the hope of winning the Penn-Jersey championship. This was a determining factor in keeping the team hard at work. Under the direction of Mr. Chick Fallon the team had an 11-5-4 season. To the players this record was a disappointment. The evasive 1st place standing was not in their reach this year. The team gained the respect and admiration it deserved throughout the season, thus making the name of Girard, the most talked about team in the league.

Captain Ron Andrews was not only the center but also the principal attraction every time the team hit the field. He broke a long standing Girard record for the most goals in a season. His 24 goals earned him a berth on the All-Area and All-Scholastic Soccer Teams, a first in Girard history. In the backfield his brother, Rob, kept the goals scored against Girard down to a minimum. Helping him were Steve Swift and Tom Killeen. Goalie Gary Aaron was spectacular through the whole season.

Another highlight of the year was the return of the Alumni-Varsity soccer game, with the Varsity winning 5-1. Looking towards next year's team, a Penn-Jersey championship is definitely due for Girard.

Coach: Mr. Chick Fatton















wrestling



1st Row left to right: R. Bohner, C. Goldberg, B. Coffee, T. Hicks, C. Riley 2nd Row: S. Swift, B. Pfromm, J. Zelazny, E. Insinger, G. Crafton 3rd Row: D. Belsito (trainer), R. Preston, A. Tobia, A. Sivak (manager)

The team started the season with a bang...four wins in a row... banged up quite a few teams in between and ended with their biggest bang... tying the Penn-Jersey champions. Not only was it a victory for the team, it was a great morale booster for the school. It lifted us ten feet off the ground. We must keep the feeling. Not just for that one day or for that one event, but for each day and in every aspect of Girard life.

Last year the wrestling team was 4-11-1. This year the team cashed in on their expectations and improved their 1976 record to 12-6-1, It was a team effort. There wasn't one wrestler who didn't contribute to the team's success. Even though they weren't the team's biggest winners, as far as wins and losses, John Zelazny, Greg Crafton and Brett Pfromm won the times we needed it most.

Co-captains Al Tobia and Bob "Peanut" Preston led the team with their 16-3 and 13-2 individual records respectively. Other top winners were Teddy Hicks 15-4, Erik Insinger 14-3, Steve Swift 14-4,

Rich Bohner 12-7, Curt Goldberg 8-4, Brian Coffee 8-5 and Carl Riley 9-9.

Near the end of the season the team gave two more hardy efforts to capture a team trophy: at the Penn-Jersey tournament, which was held at Girard this year, and the annual Girard College tournament. In the Penn-Jersey tournament Girard took fifth place out of ten teams. At Girard's tournament Girard took second place out of 12 teams.

















basketball



1st Row left to right: R. Helder, C. Insinger, L. Hook, C. Walton 2nd Row: R. Howell, T. Markley, D. Bishop, J. Roman

This year, as in preceding years, our basketball team was hindered by its lack of height. Again, we did not have the best record, but under the leadership of our coach, Mr. Reid Watson, in his first year of coaching varsity, we learned to maintain our poise and win a few games.

A few times throughout the 1975-76 season we had our opponents down at half-time, but did not come back hard enough in the second half to sustain our lead and, therefore, lost a few close games. There was no doubt that we had the talent, but we lacked, along with height, the consistent ability to "maintain our composure," as Mr. Watson would say.

Next year the basketball season looks good for Girard. With only one starter leaving we have the experience and ability to improve our past record and establish ourselves as a highly competitive and respected team.

Coach: Mr. Reid Watson















swimming



1st Row left to right: J. Czbas, M. Oestreich, T. Sims 2nd Row: Mr. M. Callahan (coach), C. Oestreich

The Swimming Team lacked sufficient members during the season to achieve their goals. Because of this they were not the competitive team that Girard has known in the past. The team had talented swimmers, but due to some problems, such as sickness and injuries, they somehow never "got it together."

This will certainly not be true of next year's team. With only one senior leaving the team has experience and talent. This will be reactivated next year and we look for a greatly improved team.

Cnach: Mr. Michael Callahan















track



1st Row laft to right: J. Reed, B. Oliver, W. Reed, A. Bond, K. Small, B. Coffee 2nd Row: Mr. M. Callahan (coach), J. Czbas (manager), P. Bradley, R. Fulton, A. Kraus, J. Bishop, R. Bohner E. Dornin, S. Starislawczyk, G. Schulz (coach), C. Arici, C. Reilly 3rd Row: D. Rainey, K. Purdie

Track, like Cross Country, is one of the toughest sports to participate in. The only thing that keeps runners going is their own will power. There are few, if any, fans to cheer them on, there are no teammates to help them out when they get in a jam, and there is no recognition when a job is well done. Track is a sport for individuals because you are completely on your own.

The 1976 Girard Track Team did not win all its meets but it did do well considering the turn out. The size of the team was not stable but seemed to stay around 15. Robert Fulton, the only senior on the team, was consistent in the 880 and the mile with an occasional point earned in the high jump. The field events were weak and that is where they lost their meets. The bulk of the team was made up of juniors and sophomores.

If a strong track program could be developed at Girard, it could be as good as any in the league. That means that the general opinion of track must be changed or track will remain as it is now. Track has something for everyone; there is no person who cannot find an event he doesn't like.















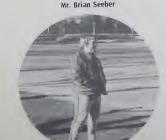


baseball



1st Row left toright: E. Newman, G. Asron, B. Dalantinow, M. Destreich, A. Tobia, J. Cianfrani (manager) 2nd Row: Mr. B. Seeber (coach), A. Sivak, J. Glusco, T. Markley, C. Insinger 3rd Row: Ron Andrews, R. Howell, R. Helder, S. Switt, Rob Andrews

This year, as in preceding years, the baseball team had plenty of talent but could not seem to put it all together. With two All Penn-Jersey selections returning from last year's team the team had high hopes of a successful season. They lost, however, the first six games before winning their first game to Perkiomen. They continued on their winning streak by winning most of the games remaining in the season. Although the season was not one of the better ones at Girard, they always played to win. With five seniors from the starting team leaving this year the varsity baseball team may be at a disadvantage. We not only wish them luck but we also hope they can continue the winning tradition at Girard.















tennis



1st Row left to right: J. Roman, G. Horn, T. Hicks, G. Zaengle 2nd Row: J. Hansen, J. McKenna, R. Strohl (manager) H. Lance, C. Oestreich

A typically outdoor game, tennis is played with rackets and a light elastic ball. In the past few years, tennis has spread to all levels of society.

At Girard, this year's tennis team, made up of all grade levels, did a fine job. The team was very enthusiastic, which reflected on their respectable record. Not winning one match last year, the team started the season very skeptically, which showed up in their first two matches. They were shut-out both times.

Though the season was not an outstanding one, it showed signs of better times to come in the future. With only two seniors leaving this year (John Hansen and Jake McKenna), the team has strong players to take over. Craig Oestreich, Joe Roman, Teddy Hicks, will lead the team to a winning season next year.

Tennis interest has bloomed at Girard and tennis is now considered a major sport. Support your tennis team next year and you will see the results yourself.

Mr. J. Sillitti















LETTERMEN "76"



FALL SPORTS

Soccer

Robert Andrews, '73, '74, '75 Ronald Andrews, '73, '74, '75 John Hansen, '73, '74 Chris Ruth, '75 Steve Swift, '75 Al Tobia, '74, '75

Cross Country

Robert Fulton, '72, '74, '75 Rich Helder, '74, '75 Thomas Markley, '73, '74, '75 Andrew Sivak, '75

WINTER SPORTS

Baskerball

Robert Andrews, '73 Robert Fulton, '75 Rich Helder, '73, '74, '75 Thomas Markley, '74, '75

Wrestling

R. Bohner, '71, '72, '73, '74 A. Sivak, '73, '74, '75 S. Swift, '75 Al Tobia, '73, '74, '75 J. Zelazny, '74, '75

Swimming

Harry Dudley, '72, '73, '74, '75

SPRING SPORTS

Baseball

Robert Andrews, '75, '76 Ronald Andrews, '73, '74, '75, '76 Harry Dudley, '75 Rich Helder, '74, '75, '76 Thomas Markley, '75, '76 Andrew Sivak, '75, '76 S. Swift, '75, '76 Al Tobia, '76

Track

John Bradley, '73, '74, '75 Robert Fulton, '72, '73, '74, '75, '76

Tennis

Robert Dollar, '73, '75 John Hansen, '73, '74, '75, '76 Jake McKenna, '75, '76

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